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TAGS: PFOR, GW, US
SUBJECT: CDU/CSU CRITICIZES BRANDT GOVERNMENT'S LACK
OF SUPPORT FOR US IN MIDDLE EAST CRISIS.

- 1. CDU/CSU BUNDESTAG FRAKTION LEADER CARSTENS ISSUED FOLLOWING STATEMENT OCTOBER 27 "CONCERNING CURRENT ILL-FEELING BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND BONN":
- 2. QUOTE THE CDU/CSU BUNDESTAG FRAKTION REGRETS THE ALDOF POSITION WHICH THE GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN VIS-A-VIS THE US DURING THE RECENT MIDDLE EAST CRISIS WITH ITS WORLDWIDE COMPLICATIONS. INSTEAD OF RECOGNIZING THE GREAT EFFORTS OF THE US TOWARD RESTORING THE BALANCE OF POWER IN THIS AREA AND -- STILL MAINTAINING THE NEUTRALITY OF THE FRG -- INSTEAD OF SUPPORTING THE UNITED STATES IN ITS EFFORTS FOR PEACE, THE GOVERNMENT CONSIDERED IT PROPER TO BEGIN UNDERLINE PUBLICLY END UNDERLINE CENSURE THE UNITED STATES. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS THUS DONE A DISSERVICE TO THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND OF OUR COUNTRY. HILLENBRAND

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